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31 MAY 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT:

Proposed Revision of NSC 5427,  
"Restricting Diplomatic and Official  
Representatives of the Soviet Bloc  
Countries in the United States in  
Connection with Strategic Intelligence"

Noted by

1 June 63

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1. The attached is a suggested reply to the Attorney General's request on the proposed revision of NSC 5427.

2. The Attorney General, by letter dated 24 May, 1963, requested your views regarding the above proposal, particularly with respect to Paragraph 1 cited below. I believe we should concur with Paragraph 1 and express general agreement with the objectives of the remaining provisions.

3. Paragraph 1 states: "Restrictions should be placed upon diplomatic and official representatives of Soviet bloc countries in the United States on the basis of strict reciprocity for restrictions placed upon U.S. representatives in each Soviet bloc country; as determined to be feasible by a group composed of representatives of the Departments of State, Defense, Justice, and CIA". The remaining provisions place various requirements on Soviet bloc countries and specified U.S. agencies. CIA is not mentioned in these provisions. (See Proposed Revision attached).

Richard Helms

Deputy Director (Plans)

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Attachments: a/s

cc: DDCI

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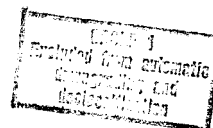
**MEMORANDUM FOR: The Attorney General**

**SUBJECT: Proposed revision of NSC 5427**

1. Reference is made to your letter of 24 May 1963, enclosing a proposed revision of NSC 5427 and requesting my views, particularly with respect to paragraph 1.
2. I am in accord with paragraph 1 of the proposal and am in general agreement with the objectives of the other provisions.
3. I appreciate your courtesy in referring this proposal to me for review.

**John A. McCone**  
**Director**

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Originated by:

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R&A) 29 May 1963

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*See covering memo*  
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according to  memo (or letter) was signed on 25 July -- be sure it is cross referenced.

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~~ER has no record of 25 July letter~~

I made note to this effect and attached it to these papers.



Office of the Attorney General  
Washington, D.C.

May 24 1963

Executive Registry

63-4337

Honorable John A. McCone  
Director of Central Intelligence  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. McCone:

The Under Secretary of State for Administration forwarded to the Chairman of the Interdepartmental Committee on Internal Security (ICIS) a proposed draft National Security Action Memorandum which would rescind and supersede NSC 5427, "Restricting Diplomatic and Official Representatives of the Soviet Bloc Countries in the United States in Connection with Strategic Intelligence".

The provisions of the proposed draft were reviewed and revisions made and, in light of internal security considerations, the ICIS recommended the issuance of the revised draft NSAM attached.

You will note in Paragraph 1 of the attachment that the basis for restrictions placed on diplomatic and official representatives of Soviet bloc countries is strict reciprocity as determined to be feasible by a group composed of representatives of the Departments of State, Defense, Justice and CIA.

Prior to making a final recommendation to the President concerning the promulgation of the attached draft NSAM I would appreciate receiving any views you may have particularly as they may relate to Paragraph 1. Any questions you may have concerning the draft attached should be taken up with Mr. Doherty of this Department on Extension 2337.

Sincerely,

*[Signature]*  
Attorney General

Attachment

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Remarks:	
<p>Would you please prepare promptly a memorandum for my signature to the Director giving our views on the proposed NSAM attached. Please coordinate with the Office of Security as requested by the Executive Director.</p> <p>I believe that we should concur in the position set forth in paragraph 1 of the proposed NSAM.</p> <p>Att. - Let to DCI from AG, 24 May w/ Draft Revised NSC-5427 (ER-63-4337 - DD/P-3-2712)</p>	
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